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For: IMAGE INPUT/OUTPUT
APPARATUS, CONTROL
METHOD OF IMAGE INPUT/
OUTPUT APPARATUS, IMAGE
INPUT/OUTPUT SYSTEM, AND
STORAGE MEDIUM THEREOF

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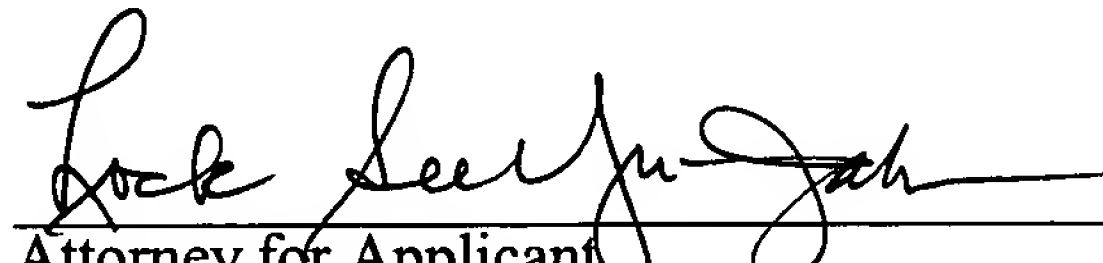
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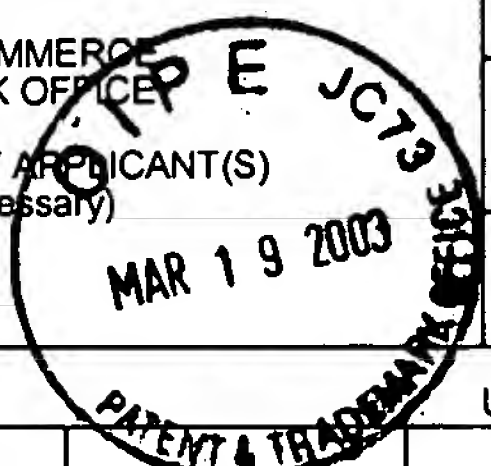
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